a permeation controlling film that is plasticized when activated by moisture from the skin and that permits the permeation of the medicine(s) out of the medicine storage layer when plasticized,

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a layer of an adhesive and

a release liner.

2. (Amended) The composition according to claim 1 comprising a permeation controlling film that is a water-soluble polymer.

3. (Amended) The composition according to claim 1 comprising a permeation controlling film that is poly(vinyl alcohol).

4. (Amended) The composition according to claim 1 comprising a medicine storage layer that is formed by a medicine, or by a medicine and a vehicle.

5. (Amended) The composition according to claim 4 that comprises a medicine that is water-soluble.

6. (Amended) The composition according to claim 4 that comprises a vehicle that is a water-disintegrative substance.

Z. (Amended) The composition according to claim 1 comprising a supporting body that has a water-vapor permeability of 100 g/m² or less at the condition of 40°C and 24 hours.

8. (Amended) The composition according to claim 1 that comprises an adhesive that has a water-vapor permeability of 100g/m² or more at the condition of 40°C and 24 hours.

9. (Amended) The composition according to claim 1 that comprises a medicine that

nicorandil) dopamine hydrochloride or eperisone hydrochloride.

Please add new Claims 10-36 as follows:

- 10. (New) The composition of claim 1 that comprises a permeation control layer comprising one or more water-soluble polymer(s).
- 11. (New) The composition of claim 1 that comprises a permeation control layer comprising one or more polysaccharide(s).
- 12. (New) The composition of claim 1 that comprises a permeation control layer comprising one or more natural polymer(s).
- 13. (New) The composition of claim 1 that comprises a permeation control layer comprising one or more inorganic polymer(s).
- 14. (New) The composition of claim 1 that comprises a medicine storage layer comprising one or more non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drug(s).
- 15. (New) The composition of claim 1 that comprises a medicine storage layer comprising one or more steroid type anti-inflammatory drug(s).
- 16. (New) The composition of claim 1 that comprises a medicine storage layer comprising one or more anti-asthma drug(s).
- 17. (New) The composition of claim 1 that comprises a medicine storage layer comprising one or more antihistamine(s).
- 18. (New) The composition of claim 1 that comprises a medicine storage layer comprising one or more antiarrhythmic drug(s).
- (19.) (New) The composition of claim 1 that comprises a medicine storage layer comprising one or more cardiotonic drug(s).
- (New) The composition of claim 1 that comprises a medicine storage layer comprising one or more vasodilator(s).
- 21. (New) The composition of claim 1 that comprises a medicine storage layer comprising one or more antihypertensive agent(s).

- 22. (New) The composition of claim 1 that comprises a medicine storage layer comprising one or more or angiotensin invertase inhibitor(s).
- 23. (New) The composition of claim 1 that comprises a medicine storage layer comprising one or more cholinergic drug(s) or agent(s).
- 24. (New) The composition of claim 1 that comprises a medicine storage layer comprising one or more anticholinergic drug(s) or agent(s).
- 25. (New) The composition of claim 1 that comprises a medicine storage layer comprising one or more antitumor drug(s) or agent(s).
- 26. (New) The composition of claim 1 that comprises a medicine storage layer comprising one or more antibiotic(s).
- 27. (New) The composition of claim 1 that comprises a medicine storage layer comprising one or more antituberculosis drug(s).
- 28. (New) The composition of claim 1 that comprises a medicine storage layer comprising one or more muscle relaxant(s).
- 29. (New) The composition of claim 1 that comprises a medicine storage layer comprising one or more local anesthetic(s).
- 30. (New) The composition of claim 1 that comprises a medicine storage layer comprising one or more hypnotic(s).
- 31. (New) The composition of claim 1 that comprises a medicine storage layer comprising one or more psychotropic drug(s).
- (New) The composition of claim 1 that comprises a medicine storage layer comprising one or more medicine(s) and one or more vehicle(s) or excipient(s).
- (New) The composition of claim 32 comprising one or more vehicle(s) or excipient(s) that are water-disintegrative substances.

(New) The composition of claim 1 further comprising a medicine storage layer comprising one or more additive(s) or absorption accelerator(s), or both.

(New) A method for administering one or more medicine(s) comprising applying the composition of claim 1 to the skin of a subject for a time and under conditions suitable for percutaneous absorption of said medicine(s).

36. (New) A method for making the composition of claim 1 comprising:

attaching or laminating together:

a supporting body,

a medicine storage layer comprising one or more percutaneously absorbable

Adedicine(s) that permeate, dissolve, disperse or diffuse into a plasticized permeation control

film which has been activated by moisture,

a permeation controlling film that is plasticized when activated by moisture

from the skin and that permits the permeation of the medicine(s) out of the medicine storage

layer when plasticized,

a layer of an adhesive and

a release liner.--

REMARKS

Claims 1-36 are pending. The Applicants thank Examiners Sheikh and Kishore for the courteous and helpful interview of February 6, 2002. As discussed, claim 1 has been amended to further describe the permeation control film and the medicine storage layer that characterize and distinguish the claimed invention from the liquid reservoir device of <u>Pfister</u> et al. that contains a "rate controlling membrane". Other editorial changes have been made to improve the clarity of the claim set, such as replacing the term "preparation" with